

ORDINANCE NO. 12-04
AN ORDINANCE TO SET WASTEWATER
TREATMENT UTILITY RATES

WHEREAS, the City of West Lafayette has previously constructed and has in operation wastewater collection and treatment works for the purpose of collecting and disposing in an environmentally sound manner, the wastewater of the City; and

WHEREAS, the West Lafayette Common Council has statutory authority to set rates for the wastewater treatment utility;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code section 36-9-23-7 provides that the West Lafayette Board of Works shall operate, manage and control the wastewater treatment utility;

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works and Safety anticipates additional wastewater improvements, including the construction of a Western Interceptor as the last element in the utility's Long Term Control Plan for control of Combined Sewer Overflows, which will require additional borrowing for capital improvements;

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works has retained a financial advisor, Umbaugh and Associates, to prepare a financial report for the wastewater treatment utility; and

WHEREAS, the financial advisor has determined that a 15 percent rate increase on July 1, 2004; a 15 percent rate increase on July 1, 2005 and a 13 percent rate increase on July 1, 2006 would be sufficient to meet the current and projected financial requirements of the utility, including operating expenses, required reserves and debt service on the SRF program, until the year 2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE that:

Section 1. West Lafayette City Code section 30.09.3.1 is amended to read as follows:

30.09.3.1. *Rates - General.* The water usage schedule on which the amount of rates and charges shall be determined is as follows:

~~Two-Four~~ dollars and ~~eighty-nine-sixty-nine~~ cents per one thousand gallons (\$~~2.894.69~~/1,000 gallons). This includes \$~~1.472.50~~/1,000 gallons for operations, maintenance and replacement and \$~~1.422.19~~/1,000 gallons for debt service. For service rendered after July 1, ~~2002~~2005, ~~three-five~~ dollars and ~~seventy-forty~~ cents per one thousand gallons (\$~~3.705.40~~/1,000 gallons). This includes \$~~1.802.50~~/1,000 gallons for operations, maintenance and replacement and \$~~1.902.90~~/1,000 gallons for debt service. For service rendered after July 1, ~~2003~~2006, ~~four-six~~ dollars and ~~seven-six~~ cents per one thousand gallons (\$~~4.076.06~~/1,000 gallons). This includes \$~~2.172.75~~/1,000 gallons for operations, maintenance and replacement and \$~~1.903.31~~/1,000 gallons for debt service.

The minimum charge for any service where the user is not a metered water consumer shall be based on the size of the service connection, but no such charge shall be less than the charge for the minimum gallonage for such meter size.

The water usage schedule on which the amount of rates and charges shall be determined for Purdue University is as follows:

A billing charge of ~~\$2.60~~3.75 per month plus a usage charge of ~~two-four~~ dollars and ~~seventy-three~~forty-three cents per one thousand gallons (~~\$2.73~~4.43/1,000 gallons). This includes ~~\$1.31~~2.23/1,000 gallons for operations, maintenance and replacement and ~~\$1.42~~2.20/1,000 gallons for debt service. For service rendered after July 1, ~~2002~~2005, a billing charge of ~~\$3.18~~4.00 per month plus a usage charge of ~~three-five~~ dollars and ~~forty-nine~~nine cents per one thousand gallons (~~\$3.49~~5.09/1,000 gallons). This includes ~~\$1.58~~2.48/1,000 gallons for operations, maintenance and replacement and ~~\$1.91~~2.61/1,000 gallons for debt service. For service rendered after July 1, ~~2003~~2006, a billing charge of ~~\$3.50~~4.25 per month plus a usage charge of ~~three-five~~ dollars and ~~eighty-five~~seventy-nine cents per one thousand gallons (~~\$3.85~~5.79/1,000 gallons). This includes ~~\$1.94~~2.48/1,000 gallons for operations, maintenance and replacement and ~~\$1.91~~3.31/1,000 gallons for debt service.

On or before June 1, ~~2003~~2005, the Common Council will review the wastewater utility revenues, expenses and rates and take any necessary action to maintain rates as required by applicable bond ordinances and as recommended by the utility's financial advisor.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on July 1, 2004.

INTRODUCED AND FILED ON _____, 2004.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA ON _____, 2004, HAVING BEEN PASSED BY A VOTE OF ____ IN FAVOR AND ____ OPPOSED.

Presiding Officer

Attested:

Clerk-Treasurer

PRESENTED BY ME TO THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA _____, 2004, AT THE HOUR OF _____M.

Clerk-Treasurer

THIS ORDINANCE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME ON _____, 2004, AT THE HOUR OF _____M.

Jan H. Mills, Mayor

Attested:

Clerk-Treasurer